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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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ATTENTION : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : Preliminary Comment on [REDACTED]
Mission 129, 10 July 1962

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1. This mission did not disclose anything which would change the most recent estimates of the situation or the most recent Watch Committee conclusions. The mission uncovered additional indications of large troop concentrations in the Amoy area.

2. Airfields. With the exception of Lienchung, all of the airfields photographed were previously covered by [REDACTED] Mission 119 and no significant changes were noted. Detection of twenty MIG-type jet fighters at Lienchung supports our [REDACTED] estimate of 33 MIGs based at this field. The number of planes noted at the other airfields is in line with previous AGO information on the deployment of jet fighters in the area. (see attachment)

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3. Ground Installations and Activity

a. Various barracks areas and training areas were disclosed in the coastal area almost along the entire flight route. One barracks area in the Swatow area includes at least 150 barracks with another 42 barracks and 68 support buildings located in nearby areas. The 41st Army with its three subordinate divisions has been traditionally located in this area.

b. At Lungchi in the Amoy area, a complex including 340 barracks, 100 support building and 10 large administrative buildings was disclosed. If these are single story buildings of the same (not indicated) of other barracks noted in other areas, the complex could house about 40,000 troops.

c. The previous count of over 400 barracks in areas north and northeast of Amoy together with the complex at Lungchi provides housing for close to 100,000 troops. In addition, numerous trenches were observed in the area but there was no indication whether these were new.

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4. An unidentified troop concentration was reported in the Yungan area but obliquity precluded interpretation. However, it could have been part of one of the recently deployed units.

4. Naval Activity

a. No unusual naval activity was noted at any of the ports covered. The count of 280 junks and sampans at Chaoan north of Swatow and 425 junks/sampans at Swatow is less than numbers previously noted.

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b. Santa Bay, a possible staging area for amphibious operations against Antau, was covered but base precluded interpretation. Santa Bay was previously covered on 3 July by a [REDACTED] mission which disclosed at that time 2 patrol craft and no unusual activity or junk concentrations were noted.

5. Yungan/Amy Rail Line

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Practically the entire length of the rail line from Amy to Changhai was covered. No rolling stock was observed; however, clouds and haze obscure much of the line. [REDACTED] disclosed a similar condition. The rail line is believed to be cut by flood in the Yungan area, and the lack of activity appears to confirm this.

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Airfields Covered	Aircraft Count	[REDACTED]	Recent P.I.* (Highest Count)
1. Chiengyang	3 MIG-type	None	3 MIG-17
2. ⁶⁰ Yachon/Kantai	(Clouds and haze preclude interpretation)	Regt. of 3rd AD (32)	26 MIG-17
3. Suiningmiao	14 MIG-17	Regt. of 4th AD & 2nd Ind. Regt. (53)	13 MIGs
4. Suian	(Clouds and haze)	None	0
5. Liencheng	20 MIG-15/17 & transports	Regt. of 34th AD (32)	(No recent coverage)
6. Changchi	25 MIG-15/17	Regt. of 33rd AD (32)	23 MIG
7. Changtiao	19 Probable shift (Heavy haze)	Regt. of 3rd AD (32)	22 MIG 15/17
8. Kaechi	(Not operational)	None	0
9. Machiang	(Airfield appears abandoned)	None	0
10. Shuikou	11 MIG-15/17 & possible MIGs (None)	Elements of 31st AD (46)	38 MIG-15/17
11. Fentow	None	None	0
12. Fentow B.L.	None	None	0

* Cloud cover and only partial coverage of field in many cases precludes complete aircraft count. Also, some aircraft probably engaged in air operations.